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E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS : EMIN

SUBJECT : GUINEA- ZAIRE RELATIONS; REPORTED WITHDRAWAL  
OF ZAIRE FROM MIFERGUI; MOBUTU VISIT IN MAY  
TO BE CANCELLED

1. ACCORDING TO WELL INFORMED MEMBER OF ZAIRIAN EMBASSY  
HERE ZAIRE IS NO LONGER INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN  
THE MIFERGUI CONSORTIA TO EXPLOIT GUINEAN IRON ORE. THE  
REASON GIVEN WAS THAT ZAIRE HAS ITS OWN IRON ORE. DURING  
THE CONVERSATION IN WHICH MIFERGUI WAS DISCUSSED, IT  
ALSO DEVELOPED THAT THE ZAIRIANS MAY BE LESS THAN CONFI-  
DENT ABOUT THE RELIABILITY OF GUINEA AS A SUPPLIER  
IN VIEW OF THE VOLATILE POLITICAL SITUATION HERE.

2. SAME SOURCE, WHO IS CLOSE TO PRESIDENT MOBUTU AND  
WENT TO PEIKING AS MOBUTU' S ADVANCE MAN, ALSO SAID IT IS  
NOW UNLIKELY THAT MOBUTU WILL BE COMING TO CONAKRY FOR  
MAY 14 PARTY ANNIVERSARY AND CEREMONIAL OPENING OF BOKE.  
NO REASON GIVEN BUT SOURCE SAID MOBUTU WOULD PROBABLY  
BE GOING TO ROME PRIOR TO OAU ANNIVERSARY MEETING.  
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3. COMMENT: IF FOREGOING REPORTS TRUE, GUINEA- ZAIRE  
RELATIONS SEEM HAVE LOST SOME OF THEIR LUSTRE. ZAIRIAN  
WITHDRAWAL FROM MIFERGUI WILL BE A BLOW TO GUINEAN CON-  
CEPTION OF MIFERGUI AS AN AFRICAN- FOREIGN ENTERPRISE AND  
A PERSONAL BLOW TO MIN OF ECONOMY AND FINANCE ISMAEL  
TOURE. SHOULD MOBUTU NOT ATTEND MAY 14 FESTIVITIES, IT  
WILL BE THE SECOND TIME IN LESS THAN A YEAR THAT HE  
DID NOT APPEAR FOR EXPECTED VISIT TO GUINEA, AND TOGETHER  
WITH WITHDRAWL FROM MIFERGUI, CANNOT BUT CAUSE DETERIOR-  
ATION IN RELATIONS BETWEEN TWO LEADERS.  
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